

Downeast Thunder Farm Scarlet Tanager

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Follow these instructions to create two mirror images of the bird - a front and back that you will later sew together for a double-sided ornament. Note: all stitching uses two strands of black embroidery floss.

Pin the tail into place. Add the decorative running stitches. Position the wing and add the decorative running stitches. I embellished parts of the wing with tiny glass beads. Place the beak and tack into place with a running stitch for the mouth. Add a small circle of black felt for the eye. For highlight, I added a tiny glass bead on the eye.

If desired, fashion wire legs and tack to the wrong side of one of the body pieces.

Pin the body front and back together and sew around the edges with a small, neat blanket stitch using black floss, pausing to stuff the ornament with fiberfill before completing.

Have Fun!

